

# *Community Needs Assessment*

## Primary Data

### Fentress County Community Health Assessment Survey

The Community Health Assessment Survey provides a profile of perceived health care needs and problems facing the community. Its purpose is to obtain subjective data from a cross section of the health care services, problems and needs in the county. The survey includes questions about the health and social problems affecting the community as well as the availability, adequacy, accessibility and level of satisfaction of health care service in the community. The community survey is not a scientific random sample of the community, however it does represent a cross section of the community, i. e. young families, single parents, the elderly, farmers, business leaders, rural residents, etc. The community development staff distributed the Community Health Assessment Survey to the health council members, who then circulated the surveys throughout the community. Results of the survey were tabulated and analyzed using the “Epi Info” computer software. The community development staff presented the final results and analysis of the survey to the county health council. The following list identifies the perceived problems facing Fentress County based on the survey results.

		<b>Top Ten Issues Highlighted</b>
<b>Adult Alcohol Abuse</b>	<b>72%</b>	
<b>Smoking</b>	<b>68%</b>	
<b>Teen Alcohol/Drug Abuse</b>	<b>67%</b>	
<b>Adult Drug Abuse</b>	<b>64%</b>	
<b>High Blood Pressure</b>	<b>64%</b>	
<b>Smokeless Tobacco</b>	<b>58%</b>	
<b>Unemployment</b>	<b>53%</b>	
<b>Heart Conditions</b>	<b>53%</b>	
<b>Stress</b>	<b>51%</b>	
<b>Diabetes</b>	<b>50%</b>	
<b>Obesity</b>	<b>49%</b>	
<b>Poverty</b>	<b>48%</b>	
Arthritis	46%	
Teen Pregnancy	45%	
Motor Vehicle Deaths	42%	
School Dropouts	39%	
Lack of Sex Education	38%	
Depression	38%	
Breast Cancer	37%	
Domestic Violence	35%	
Child Abuse/Neglect	34%	
Lung Cancer	33%	
Crime	33%	
Other Cancer	32%	
Eating Disorders	31%	